



Decision on Newberry Springs dairies postponed

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The San Bernardino County Planning Commission, faced with a vocal group of Newberry Springs residents, Friday postponed any decision on the development of dairies in that remote desert community.

Instead, the commission decided to wait until the Mojave Water Agency finished a survey of water resources in the Harvard area, north of Newberry Springs.

Agency officials say Harvard may be an alternative site for dairies, which want to locate in

Newberry Springs despite the widespread opposition of local residents.

The issue Friday focused on a 200-page report on the county's dairy industry prepared by the Planning Department.

The report calls for county efforts to preserve Chino-area dairies, but it endorsed some limited dairy development in the High Desert areas of Hinkley-Barstow, Newberry Springs and Lucerne Valley.

With some changes, the commission tentatively approved most of the report's recommendations.

But it deferred consideration of the Newberry area until the water agency study is completed in four months or so.

A group of about 10 Newberry Springs residents criticized the report as inaccurate, and said they had never been surveyed about their opinions on the issue.

"We were not given the chance to have any input at all," said resident Hilda May Voght. "Newberry Springs is not the place for dairies."

The report, which said Newberry had "over 330 wells," underestimated existing demands for water, Voght said. In fact, she said,

the area has over 700 residences, and "each one of them has their own well."

Meanwhile, she said, dairy owners seeking to move from the Chino area are planning developments "from one end to the other of the valley...next to existing homes."

The report said the area's rainfall was an average 14.89 inches a year, but "we haven't had that much rain out there in years," she said.

Planning Director Kenneth Topping said the figure was a typographical error, and said the rain-

fall estimate was supposed to be 4.89.

Another resident, Catherine Otteson, complained that alfalfa growers in the area are spraying restricted pesticides that may be endangering residents.

"The county has no provision for supervision of the use of pesticides to insure that it conforms to the law," she said.

The fields have been developed in the past two years in conjunction with the dairies.

Otteson said growers are spraying parathion, which she said is "100 times more deadly than

(the) malathion used on the Medfly," paraquat and dinitroresol.

Deputy Planner Walter Ladwig said Otteson's statements were "kind of extraneous to the whole topic" of dairies.

Meanwhile, planning consultant Hardy Strozier, representing the owners of 14 older dairies in the Chino area, said his group favored phasing out of the agricultural preserve because the dairies were unprofitable.

The preserve is established in conjunction with the Williamson Act, which provides landowners with a tax break if they keep their land in agriculture.

Chino Hills open space goal set

By BILL ROGERS
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SAN BERNARDINO — County planning commissioners tentatively agreed Friday that a goal of the Chino Hills community plan should be to preserve a minimum of 4,500 acres of terrain in its natural condition rather than the 6,900 acres that would result from what was said to be a faulty formula.

The commission asked for corrections in the open space formula to be submitted at a May 10 workshop session and at what may be its final hearing at 10 a.m. May 13 on the plan for a new community of some 33,000 dwellings and eight commercial centers in an 18,000-acre section of the northern Chino Hills.

Conceding that the plan is not in such detail as to take every environmental aspect into account, commissioners also called for more flexibility in permitting transfers of density allowances from one part of a development site to another.

Project planner Chuck Coe said it may be found that the plan fails to recognize scenic assets or environmental constraints at particular locations, in which case he said adjustments should be permitted at the staff level to shift development allowances to terrain that is less sensitive even though it is shown as more sensitive in the plan.

Commissioners tentatively endorsed that suggestion but stuck with their position opposing transfers of allowable dwelling units from areas that are suitable for high-density development to sites that are environmentally more sensitive.

Deputy Planning Director John Jaquess said developers and residents, through the citizen advisory committee for the Chino Hills specific plan, reached a compromise calling for preservation of a minimum of more than 4,000 acres of natural, undisturbed open space. This would be in addition to open space requirements involving

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Staff photo by Gail Fisher

Linda Barnes holds a tired 2½-year-old, Paul Allen, at National Orange Show where she is a carnival ride operator.

Parade, parachutists top weekend schedule at National Orange Show

By JAN RODDICK
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SAN BERNARDINO — Weekend activities at the 67th National Orange Show include a military parade, parachute jumps, Camera Day and free musical attractions in the Grandstand — not to mention the daily performances of Haptime circus and Puppet Theater.

Orange Show officials said Friday that they expect a good crowd both days. Good weather is forecast and Sunday's crowd will swell when thousands of parade marchers disperse at the grounds.

Opening day attendance was reported to have reached 15,825 — the fourth best opening day in the show's history. Joe Brosmer, Or-

ange Show manager, said that this figure exceeded last year's opening day total by 3,811.

The show's 1982 president, W. James Siville, reiterated his belief that it would not rain during the show's 11-day run. A rain contest staged by the show promises a

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Scope of Adventist lawsuit is reduced

By ART WONG
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An Oregon court ruling has drastically reduced the scope of a \$35 million lawsuit filed against 22 entities and individuals of the Seventh-day Adventist Church. The suit stems from the bankruptcy declared by a Southern California developer.

Multnomah County Circuit Court Judge Clifford B. Olsen refused last week in Portland to certify the suit as a class action with potentially hundreds of plaintiffs.

His ruling effectively focused the case on three named plaintiffs who are church members.

Attorney Ernest Ching, a co-counsel for the plaintiffs, filed the suit, which accuses church officials of fraud and mismanagement of Adventist trust funds — on behalf of all trustors in the Pacific Northwest whose funds

with the church were subsequently lent to developer Donald J. Davenport.

The Adventist church estimates denominational entities lent more than \$17 million to Davenport, who in 1981 filed for bankruptcy in Los Angeles and named among his creditors a dozen Inland Empire residents.

Olsen told The Sun Friday that he rejected the class action in a ruling April 30 because attorneys failed to show a "commonality of facts."

He explained that trustors each placed funds with the church under different circumstances, some after being contacted by Adventist officials.

Attorneys for the church introduced letters sent to more than 550 trustors, none of whom said they wanted to join the suit. Ching

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Gabrielle T. Mulvane: Nursing was her life

SAN BERNARDINO — Gabrielle Tissot Mulvane, who was an Army nurse during World War I and was later superintendent of nurses at San Bernardino County Medical Center for 36 years, died here Thursday at the age of 89.

Mulvane, who lived here for 77 years, was a past president of Zonta Club, California Nurses Association and the California League of Nursing and life member of American Legion Post 14 and past vice commander of the state American Legion.

She also for many years was director of a nursing school at San Bernardino Valley College in conjunction with the county medical center.

Mulvane was born in Switzerland and came to the United States when she was 3 years old. Her father, a Swiss farmer, settled his family in Nebraska, before moving on to Chino, where she attended schools.

Mulvane studied nursing in Pasadena, and in 1916 came to work at San Bernardino's county hospital.

Two years later, she was recruited for overseas service as an Army nurse by the Red Cross. She served overseas one year, taking time to revisit her native land.

After World War I, Mulvane returned to the county hospital, working there until she retired as chief of nurses in 1952.

When Mulvane retired, she continued serving the Red Cross as a volunteer and taught classes in home nursing and mother and baby care.

In an interview, Mulvane once



Gabrielle Mulvane

said that she had taught "all over the country" and had no idea how many women took part in her classes over the years.

Mulvane served on the Red Cross board of directors and in 1964 she was one of six American Red Cross volunteers to receive the national Estabrook Award for outstanding service. It was the first time the award was made.

She is survived by her sister, Cecile Hurtt of San Bernardino; stepdaughter, Helen M. Reno of San Bernardino; four nephews, Eugene Tissot of Woodland Hills, Jay Tissot of Upland, William Tissot of Chino and Thomas Tissot of San Bernardino; six grand-nephews; and two sisters-in-law.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday in Bobbitt Memorial Chapel, where friends may call after 4 p.m. today. Interment will be in Inglewood Park Cemetery.

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Schmitz raps GOP primary foes during Law Day talk

By JAMES NICKLES
Sun Staff Writer

BARSTOW — Some of his opponents are "Israeli stooges," he said. Welfare is a form of "vote-buying." And, as in Poland, the U.S. military may have to take over if the country's economy collapses.

Yes, state Sen. John Schmitz, R-Newport Beach, was his usual combative self Friday as he took his Republican primary campaign for U.S. Senate to the Marine Corps Logistics Base here.

In a "non-partisan" talk at the Officers Club and in a later interview, the controversial former congressman and presidential candidate explored familiar themes.

Despite his 3 percent showing in the polls, he said he might get as much as 20 percent of the vote in the June 8 Republican primary, in which he faces seven other major opponents.

Schmitz, a longstanding member of the John Birch Society, enjoys a

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